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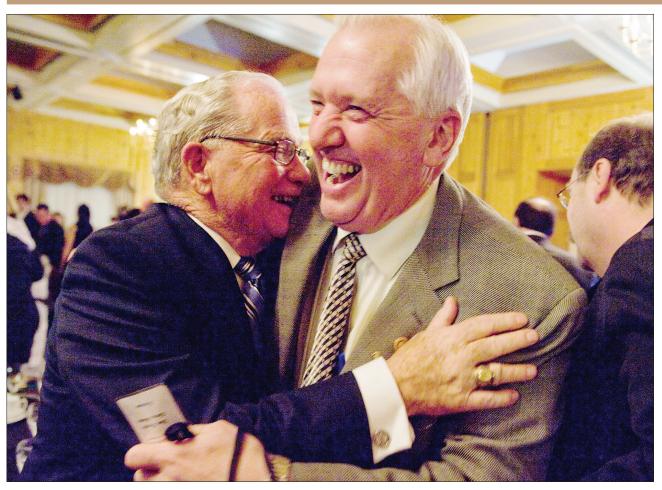
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Left, Highlander of the Year winner Scotty Morrison gets a hug from Highlander of the Year nominee Don Popple at the fifth annual Business and Community Achievement Awards Gala held at the Pinestone Resort on Saturday, Jan. 15.

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**Darren Lum** Echo staff

# **Scotty Morrison Highlander of the Year**

**Darren Lum** Staff reporter

There was nothing but applause and laughter at the fifth annual Business and Community Achievement Awards Gala held at the Pinestone Resort in Haliburton on Saturday, Jan. 15.

Thanks to the wit, at times biting, but sprinkled with innocence of the event's master of ceremonies Mike Jaycock the audience was often simultaneously laughing and cringing.

Despite Jaycock's repertoire of verbal skills, he could not bring the audience to its feet like this year's Highlander of the Year winner.

When Scotty Morrison was announced as this year's recipient of the award, he received a standing ovation at the gala organized by the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce.

He was thankful and spoke slowly.

"When my dear wife was coming down with Alzheimer's and very good friends in Toronto said to me, 'Scotty, Joan is coming down with Alzheimer's and you're staying in Haliburton?' I said, 'I wouldn't think of going anywhere, but Haliburton and I believe that from the bottom of my heart ... if I'm required to be an ambassador for Haliburton then I'll give it everything I've got," he said of his wife who died two years ago. "Thank you again very, very much. This is something I will treasure forever."

The next day, Morrison explained his affection for Haliburton County stems from how much the area meant to his wife, as she was cared for so well by the people he refers to as "angels on earth" at

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# Winterfest pulls in \$50,000

Jenn Watt

Editor

To Alan Clark it was like winning the lottery.

The \$50,000 announced by the Ontario Trillium Foundation Jan. 13 for the county's senior winter games assured the organizing committee's chairperson that the event just one month away would run smoothly.

'Six dollars is the most I've ever won at the lottery," Clark told the crowd at Thursday's announcement at the Winterfest office in Haliburton.

"I like this feeling. I can tell you ... we have won the lottery. This is the difference between the financial success of our games and failure, the artistic success or failure. We can't fail for the community. We have too much invested in this."

The money was presented to Clark by Trillium Foundation volunteer Klara Oyler, who said the games would bring at least 900 new people to the Highlands for the games Feb.

"And to support that, the foundation has provided the organizing committee with a \$50,000 grant to ensure the success of the games and to engage our community through volunteerism, making Haliburton County a stellar host for the games," she said.

Liberal MPP Rick Johnson was also at the announcement, complimenting both the Trillium Foundation and the Winterfest organizing committee for the roles they play in bettering the Haliburton community.

"I think this is just another piece of the puzzle that's going to make this a fabulous event for Haliburton and I really look forward to being up here and taking part as a spectator," he said.

General manager of Winterfest, Myke Malone, estimated that 40 hours went into the application process for the grant, which ensures the county's taxpayers won't foot any of the bill for the games.

The county of Haliburton had to underwrite the games, promising to pay any deficit incurred.

Without this grant, Clark said, "we would have had to scramble ... and found cuts somewhere."

Clark pointed out that the games are sure to bring a strong economic boost to the Highlands with 870 registered participants, non-participants and district coordinators along with 60 people coming from out of town to help with services such as transportation.

The games will last three days and two nights, though hundreds are staying longer than the allotted time for the closing ceremonies on the third evening.

"When you think about over 900 people arriving in Hal-



Jenn Watt Echo staff

Winterfest general manager Myke Malone has a chuckle as Liberal MPP Rick Johnson unwraps his gift at the funding announcement Jan. 13. Johnson joked the scarf came in the perfect "party colours." The Trillium Foundation gave the games \$50,000.

iburton County in the middle of the week, in the middle of the winter, it really does not get much better than that. Even more important than that, the success of our games is also the success of the games in the future. What we're presenting is just the tip of the iceberg," Clark said.

A record 27 districts will be participating in this year's games with athletes coming from Windsor, Thunder Bay, Timmins and Niagara Falls, among other places.

Organizers hope that the games will give people an introduction to Haliburton County as a place to visit in other

"We'll get them thinking 'wow, what a great place to visit," during other seasons, communications co-chairperson for the committee, Mike Jaycock said.

U-Links will be conducting a study during the games to evaluate the economic impact of Winterfest on Haliburton

### Devolin moves family to Ottawa full-time

**Angelica Blenich** 

Staff reporter

At a recent event held at the West Guilford Community Centre on Jan. 13 local MP Barry Devolin reflected on his past year in politics and the personal changes that have occurred in his life, including moving his family to Ottawa full-time and undergoing surgery to rectify a detached ret-

During opening remarks at the second annual Leaders' Prayer Breakfast, Devolin informed those in attendance that his decision to move his family to Ottawa was given careful consideration and thought.

"It came down to spending five days in Ottawa without my family and two days in Haliburton with them to spending five days with them in Ottawa," said Devolin.

Devolin's two children, George and Molly, have both

been enrolled in the Ottawa school system.

Married to Ursula Devolin, the family of four currently rent a house in the city but still own a residence in Hali-

According to Devolin, the change in address will not affect his relationship or dedication to Haliburton.

Other changes the local MP experienced during the past year include undergoing surgery for a detached retina and ongoing complications that resulted following the surgery.

Devolin also informed those in the room he intends to seek the role of speaker of the House of Commons.

Devolin currently serves as the assistant deputy chairman of the committees of the whole, making him one of three individuals who may take over for the speaker in his

The current speaker is Kingston MP Peter Milliken, who has already announced his intention to retire from the

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# True volunteer spirit lives in Haliburton

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Haliburton Extendicare in her final days and his second eldest son Parry Morrison, who died during an accident on an oil rig in 1982.

"Parry loved it so much ... we found [Haliburton] just brought us all much closer together," he said the next day, adding no one truly understands the kind of volunteer spirit and the commitment that so many people have up here until they live here.

He and his wife Joan first visited Haliburton County in 1965.

During the gala, joking, he told someone he had never expected any kind of award after refereeing in the NHL for more than 21 years.

"There were some other great people [nominated]. I felt very flattered I was considered amongst the other [seven] that were nominated," he said the next day on the phone, adding he was "shocked" when his name was announced.

Nominees such as Jim Frost, Aggie Tose and Don Popple were seen smiling, shaking his hand and embracing with the man with the perpetual smile at the conclusion of the three-plus hour event.

"All three are good friends and it was a very sincere compliment [they paid me]. Things like that kind of touch [me]," he said the next day.

The other nominees for the award were Barb Bolin, Janis Parker, Keith Burns, and Maarten Steinkamp.

Morrison is involved with several organizations in Haliburton County.

He is a member of the board of directors for Community Care Haliburton County and an active volunteer, serving as a friendly visitor and with the Wii Program on Tuesday mornings. Morrison is a member of the Extendicare Family Council Committee and a volunteer. He is also a member of the board of directors for Canoe FM.

The Hockey Hall of Fame (HHOF) inductee, former referee in chief for the NHL and HHOF chairman and CEO has already been the face of the county, bringing hockey greats and raising money with various events such as the Rotary Charity Golf Classic, as organized by the Rotary Club of Haliburton that raises money for the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation and the Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament that is the most productive fundraiser for Community Care Haliburton County.

"All of these things keep me out of trouble," he said, laughing.

Highlander of the Year recognizes the contributions and community leadership demonstrated by individuals for the benefit of the Haliburton Highlands. Any resident of the Highlands who have made outstanding contributions to the community in the areas



**Darren Lum** Echo staff

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce fifth annual Business and Community Achievement Awards winners, front row, left, Scotty Morrison, Highlander of the Year; Wayde Greer, Young Entrepreneur of the Year; Carol and Eric Thompson of Maple Moon, Small Business of the Year; middle row, left, Mikaela Charlebois and Teghan Dodds, Youth of the Year; Ray Brassard of Community Care Haliburton County, Not-for-Profit Business of the Year; Molly McInerney of Molly's Bistro Bakery, New Business of the Year; Aggie Tose of GJ Burtch Construction, Skilled Trades Awards; back row, left, Nick Lawrence of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, Warden Award of the Year; Chris Bishop of Sir Sam's Ski and Summer Resort, Innovative and Creative Business Award; Dave Bishop of Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve, Large Business of the Year. The event was held at the Pinestone Resort on Saturday, Jan. 15.

of art, culture, heritage, community services, community economic development or the environment are eligible for nomination. The award winner is a community booster and a true ambassador for the Haliburton Highlands.

Haliburton County Warden Murray Fearrey spoke with glowing praise of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, chosen as this year's recipient of the Warden Award of the Year and an award to recognize the organization's 75 years of service to the community.

Fearrey spoke about the history of the organization that included its own share of ups and downs, but was complimentary about its current strength, as a result of its staff and directors.

"I have to tell you folks when you got just over 600 businesses total in this county and over 330 [of them] members in the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce that is [more than half, which is] probably the highest in the province of Ontario," he said to applause. "I just want to commend the directors, the staff. What a turnaround. The

communication is fantastic. You're doing the right thing. In fact, we can all learn from you."

The chamber has 350 business members and started in 1936.

Chamber president Nick Lawrence accepted the awards for the organization.

New to this event were the Skilled Trades Award and the Innovative and Creative Business Award.

The winner of the Skilled Trades Award was G.J. Burtch Construction and was accepted by Aggie Tose while the Innovative and Creative Business Award was accepted by Chris Bishop of Sir Sam's Ski and Summer Resort.

Wayde Greer of The Mulligan Club won the Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award.

The New Business of the Year award was won by Molly's Bistro Bakery and accepted by its owner Molly McInerney.

The Small Business of the Year was won by Maple Moon and accepted by Carol Thompson.

The Large Business of the year was won by the Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve and was accepted by Dave Bishop.

The Youth of the Year award recipients are Teghan Dodds and Mikaela Charlebois, who were presented the award by Haliburton Highlands Secondary School staff advisor Martin Gage.

The school's principal Dan Marsden chose the students.

The Not-For-profit Business of the Year award was given to Community Care Haliburton County and was accepted by its president Ray Brassard.

Cordell Carpet won the Customer Service of the Year award.

There were 40 businesses, organizations and individuals nominated at this year's gala.

Just before the awards were handed out the chamber's vice president Eric Thompson said, "Although not every business, organization or person can be a winner as far as the final decision, you're all winners in our eyes so congratulations to those people that were nominated."

# Dogsled derby on hiatus until 2012

#### **Darren Lum**

Staff reporter

The organizers of the Highlands Dogsled Derby are setting their sights on 2012 after cancelling this year's event.

Tanya McCready-DeBruin, the event's organizer and founder with husband Hank DeBruin, regretted the decision, but attributed it to financial and weather-related reasons.

"If we had only one of the two problems maybe we could have made it work, but with no snow and a decrease of sponsorship it was just, 'Yikes.' There was just nothing in the forecast that [gave us an indication that] we would have enough snow next week to start working with," she said of the event that was scheduled at the Pinestone Resort for Jan. 22 and 23.

The cancellation is not an isolated case, McCready-Debruin added, as there are many dogsled races being cancelled throughout the continent.

This year's cancellation came with a heavy heart, though.

"Any year you would be disappointed, but this year it's a little more," she said about the delay to the 10th installment of the derby.

McCready-DeBruin and her husband, owners of Winterdance Dogsled Tours, are still looking towards next year to resume the event.

She is considering government grants for an alternate means of funding and will begin organization in spring, which will also include fundraising, an entire season ahead



This year's Highlands Dogsled Derby is cancelled for lack of snow and little sponsorship. /File photo

of when she usually starts.

It is expected to include more spectatorfriendly demonstrations for times between races, which were considered for this year's event.

The past two years the races were held in February. McCready-DeBruin said that was so it could align with the Haliburton Frost Festival, but was changed because of the Ontario Senior Winter Games.

She is considering holding the race in 2012 a different weekend than the Frost Festival

for accommodation providers, understanding the need to draw tourists on another weekend.

McCready-DeBruin and her husband started the derby for three reasons.

"When we started we were in Haliburton all winter and we didn't see a lot of mushers so, first thing, it was a cool way to have mushers come to our hometown to meet everybody and talk. Second thing, it was cool to kind of have Haliburton establish itself as a dogsledding destination ... third, it was a way

to give back," she said, adding despite what people might think, she writes a sponsor-ship cheque like the other sponsors and has had to cover any "shortfall," which has been the case the past few years. There were three major level sponsors lost in the past two years.

"Certainly, we understand. People have been wonderful to the race since it started. It's not like we're blaming anyone because I know everybody does what they can do. Unfortunately it was not quite enough," she said.

Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey is disappointed and understands the cancellation will mean a loss to the economy, but recognizes the causes are related to the economic downturn and the stress to potential sponsorship opportunities with many events this year such as the Ontario Senior Winter Games.

"We'll just regroup and focus for bigger and better next year," Fearrey said. "People are just drained out financially."

The two-day event has drawn national attention with its share of media coverage that included a television appearance on the Rick Mercer Report and coverage by national press such as the *National Post*.

"It's brought a lot of PR for the area that's for sure," she said.

The derby is the only dogsled race hosted in Haliburton County.

"Hopefully next year everything will be better and some people will come forward with more ideas and help. We'll be off and better than ever," she said.

She can be reached at info@winterdance. com.

## County steps cautiously with Rail Trail plan

#### **Chad Ingram**

Staff reporter

The county's new economic development committee is taking cautious steps towards sorting out the quagmire of the Haliburton County Rail Trail.

The committee – comprised of the county's four reeves along with county chief administrative officer Jim Wilson and eco-

nomic development director Bob Smith – met for the first time Jan. 12, where it looked at a request for proposals to hire a consultant to create a new master plan for the controversial corridor.

Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid, who was elected committee chairperson, said conflict resolution needed to be applied to the situation and that she wasn't sure hiring a consultant was the right move.

"I think we've been there before and I'm

not sure how practical that approach is," Reid said, adding she wasn't sure another consultant's report would be a good spend. "It seems we have two distinct groups we need to satisfy."

There have been years of squabbling between users of the Rail Trail in conflicts that often seem to pit motorized and nonmotorized users against each other.

"I respectfully disagree," said Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt, who thought the county's role should not be resolving a conflict or humouring user groups, but rather establishing a clear vision of what county residents want the Rail Trail to be.

"This isn't about user groups . . . it's about a community as a whole," she said, noting that not all users of the trail are affiliated with a particular group. "I don't care if it becomes a butterfly corridor and I don't care if becomes a railway track."

In the end, Moffatt said, it would be impossible to come to a solution that pleases everyone.

"Some type of user is going to lose out on the Rail Trail," she said.

Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey said it was important that ample consideration be given to the people who live along the trail and reiterated what a sensitive and difficult issue the Rail Trail has been for council.

"It's a nightmare, really," Fearrey said.

Moffatt noted there have been suggestions that the county adopt a master plan for all trails within its borders and wondered if this might be an option for council to look at

Reid said she has had similar requests in Minden Hills. She also suggested segmenting the Rail Trail, having "quiet zones" or allocating certain sections for certain uses, taking into account where those areas would link to other trail systems.

Wilson said a complicating factor for an all-encompassing trail plan is that, while the Rail Trail falls under the direct jurisdiction of the county, that is not true for other trails. He also advised that council obtain the services of a consultant.

"I think you need some more information," he said.

In the end, councillors decided they would like to see a reworded request for proposals incorporating their concerns brought back at next month's committee meeting.

The Rail Trail stretches some 34 kilometres from Haliburton Village to the county's border with the City of Kawartha Lakes.

The county is hoping to have a new master plan in place this year.



# **Duchene officially joins NHL elite**

**Darren Lum** 

Staff reporter

Haliburton's Matt Duchene is achieving a personal goal with his recent selection to the 2011 NHL All-Star game in Raleigh, North Carolina at the RBC Center on Jan. 30.

"It is a tremendous honour. The group of players I am among for this game is amazing and I feel very blessed to have this opportunity. It was actually a goal of mine to be there this year so to have achieved that, especially at 19, is huge for me," Duchene said in an email to the *Echo*.

In his second year, Duchene continues to be among the best, ranking 13th in scoring (18 goals and 25 assists). He isn't a slouch in his own end, demonstrated with a plus/minus of plus six.

If offensive numbers were the criteria for an all-star selection then it's no surprise he is the lone Avalanche representative (with the exception of teammate Kevin Shattenkirk, who is one of 12 rookies that will compete in the Honda NHL SuperSkills), as he leads his team in points through 44 games.

There are 20 first-time All-Star selections

to this year's game. Duchene, who can be easily regarded as among the wave of new NHL stars, expects this game to be fun, knowing a few of the players as friends on and off the ice.

"It's definitely cool. I have become friends and gotten to know quite a few of the young guys like [Sidney] Crosby, [Jonathan] Toews, [Patrick] Kane, [Anze] Kopitar etc, and I think familiarity with them off the ice will make this experience that much more fun. They are truly gifted players and it'll be great to share this experience with them," he said.

Unlike in previous years when it was the conference versus conference format, this year the teams will be selected by two yet-to-be-named captains who will draft their teams on Jan. 28.

"It's definitely different. I think it'll be real interesting for the fans as it kind of mimics a shinny game with your buddies out on the lake, pond or whatever. It's a fun way of doing things and it'll be fun to see how much pride the captains take in their picks and the outcome of the game," Duchene said.

For all the attention he is getting Duchene never forgets who he owes his success

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"My teammates and coaches have been huge for me. I've learned a lot to this point and am continuing to learn and those guys are the reasons why. Also, my parents who are the biggest influence on my hockey career, right from day one. Those are the two groups that really stick out for me."

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Colorado Avalanche's Matt Duchene celebrates after scoring a goal in 2010. Carmine Marinelli QMI Agency



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### Tim Hortons in Haliburton?

**Darren Lum** 

Staff reporter

After years of speculation, Tim Hortons is putting in an application to bring one of their restaurants to the Village of Haliburton.

Officially the TDL Group Corporation has submitted a draft site plan to council for a Tim Hortons restaurant.

The corporation is in the process of purchasing the proposed lot currently owned by Brookline Concrete Products Ltd. on County Road 21 in Haliburton, close to

Industrial Park Road. Before the site plan is executed the transfer of property must be completed.

Since the proposed site is on a county road, Haliburton County is also involved and will receive its own site agreement.

It has requested a traffic study, which is expected by the corporation "shortly" and will be submitted to Dysart and forwarded to the county.

The restaurant's proximity to the high school poses potential problems, Councillor Walt McKechnie pointed out.

"It's going to be a mad rush down to that corner," he said, adding a streetlight may be needed.

Council members said the potential for increased pedestrian traffic may warrant a sidewalk. The adjacent creek and the width of the road area will be some of the challenges Reeve Murray Fearrey said of County Road 21, which will include the county.

Dysart municipal planner Pat Martin said this location will accommodate 32 seats and will be the same as the Tim Hortons restaurant in Minden.

Construction is expected to start in the spring, pending approvals by all parties, lot purchase and the acquisition of building permits.

This site plan for Dysart was approved in principle that all terms are met.

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# points of view

## **Dogsleds** and winter games

FIT HAD BEEN any other year, the announcement that Winterdance is cancelling its dogsled derby would have been a major blow to Haliburton's tenuous winter economy.

The derby, which has been running since 2002, attracting celebrities, spectators and national media, is on hold until 2012 for lack of snow and sponsorships.

In the nine years it has run, the event not only gave people a reason to travel to Haliburton, but also branded the Highlands as a winter tourism destination.

Filling that role this year is Winterfest - the Ontario senior winter games - which is energizing and exciting athletes, accommodators and winter sport enthusiasts across the county.

More than 900 people from outside this community will be flooding in, touring the countryside, meeting the people, eating in the restaurants and pumping up the economy.

Not to mention providing all of us (volunteers and spectators alike) something to get involved in.

Winterfest won't replace the dogsled races, which are dear to the people of this county, but it will provide something new and invigorating to get us through this chilly season.

And while we'll only get to host these

games once (likely), Winterdance owners Hank DeBruin and Tanya McCready are planning to have the beloved dog races back by 2012, when we'll appreciate them all the more.



Jenn Watt Editor

### Awards reflect community

Although it was held by a business association to primarily recognize business achievement, the Chamber of Commerce's fifth annual gala was more of a celebration of commu-

nity than a strictly industry event.

Along with the Highlander of the Year, youth and warden's choice awards, those nominated for small and large business, not-for-profit, innovation and creativity, skilled trades, customer service and new business all represented not just business people, but active members of our community.

As representatives walked to the front of the room to receive their certificates of nomination, their faces were familiar not only from their business affiliation, but also for the volunteering they do around the county.

It was an impressive and deserving group of nominees and a real reflection of Haliburton County and its

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### Things to do at -24

'N ALL FAIRNESS at some point Mother Nature's got to at least give us a fighting chance.

It's one of those only-in-Haliburton stupidly-crazy winter nights; the kind

of evening when you really start to question why you live here - why anything lives (or manages to live) here for that matter.

While you can certainly debate the possible merits of living in a 10 degree Celsius climate (an unlimited ice cube supply?) and possibly even make a case for anything from zero degrees to (roughly) minus 10, there is

absolutely no justification for any human to live in an area where the temperature plummets to -24 overnight. Even polar bears lament the cold on a night like this (they're knocking at my door, looking for shelter, as I write this).

Realistically, once the temperature drops below a certain point there are really no intrinsic benefits to living in this climate to name. Once you dip below the freezing point of water there isn't a lot of magic left to happen. Nothing occurs at -25 that can't occur at -10 (it just happens much quicker).

I think it's pure human stubbornness that has idiots like us trying to endure a climate so harsh and unforgiving. The first clue is looking at a thermometer. You'll notice that it's relatively accurate

to about -12 but after that it's just a pile of numbers placed on the apparatus meant more for show than for any real value, kind of like the top end of the speedometer in your vehicle (theoretically it sup-

> posed to go 240 but it's a Subaru and we both know it's lucky to top out at 132).

I often wonder how our forefathers dealt with insane temperatures like this. You can just imagine that damning look, sometime around 1850, that screams "we left Ireland for this?" In reality it was simply a matter of bad timing and bad planning since you know they

first invaded the area sometime in June when the bugs were bad but at least your tongue didn't freeze immediately when you simply thought of opening your mouth. Equate this to the same scenario that has you booked in a rat-infested Cuban hotel for a week. You just grin, ride out the storm and make do.

I guess the upside is that, at the ungodly temperature of -24, you come across as super macho for choosing to remain here. I know. I have a friend who lives in Florida who complains about his temp dipping to the (insane) freezing mark (wimp). I counter argue that only real men exist where I do. True they're under 12 layers of blankets and have about as much body movement as a popsicle but still, they are here.



Charlie Teljeur Thinking Small

### points of view

### **Gala events**

ALL IT A SURE SIGN of cabin fever, but just last night I found myself watching the Golden Globe awards. And, as of this morning, I'm still not sure if the show was named after the award itself or because of the cleavage that was evident in some of the more risqué dresses.

Either way, it works for me.

Now don't get me wrong, I'm not against awards. The truth is, there's nothing like a good award show to give a person a reason to dress up in uncomfortable clothing and fake a smile when someone else's name gets called out.



Steve Galea Loon Tales

That's why I'm happy to announce Haliburton's latest awards, the First Annual Stevie's.

This award ceremony, which takes place this Wednesday night in my kitchen, will be a gala event solely recognizing my insatiable need for appreciation. Not surprisingly, I'm up for several awards.

First, this column has already been nominated in the prestigious, Most Desperate Column Before an Impending Deadline category. It's up against everything I've ever written in the last

year

I'm also up for the Best Supporting Role for my work in the reality documentary *Pooping and Scooping: Life with an Incontinent Springer Spaniel.* The critics say I was quite convincing in the role of the Scooper.

Lastly, I have been nominated for Best Performance by a Short Man for my brilliantly convincing performance in *Where's the Step Stool? The Steve Galea Story*.

Óbviously, I'm more than a little excited about all of this. I could be wrong, but I suspect these awards are going to propel my career to new heights and, possibly, make me a household name in my own house. What's more important is that I have been nominated and judged by the Academy, of which I am currently the only member. So, the odds of sweeping the awards are all but assured. Vacuuming, too.

Because of this, I'm working diligently on my acceptance speeches. This isn't as easy as it sounds because, as a winner, I've only been given 90 seconds to be clever and witty while thanking everyone and everything in the universe. This includes the sentimental portion where I say goodnight to my kids, hi to my mom, and give thanks to all the Stevies who came before me.

Worse yet is the clothing situation.

I know I must dress up for the event since I might be posting it on YouTube. But, as yet, I haven't decided on what to wear. My ice fishing garb is a little too informal and the only true evening wear I have is a pair of pajamas by the big-time designers at Giant Tiger. My mom bought me these for Christmas, so I will be sure to thank her for this and the gift of life sometime during my third acceptance speech.

These awards are relatively new, so I'm still trying to drum up interest from the paparazzi and Ricky Gervais – I figure after last night's performance at the Golden Globes, it will be the only offer he'll get for a while. Thus far, I've had no response from either yet.

On the plus side, I have had some interest from the local media. One columnist, who shall remain nameless, is going to attend and cover the proceedings when he's not up at the podium accepting awards.

Even better, I have been told to cover it in the modern, up-to-the-minute electronic way. In fact, when I was describing the event to my editor and asking if she needed press passes for more than one reporter, she simply said, "You twit" and then hung up.

Great, now I need to learn how to use Twitter too...



### pic of the past

ogging has always been an important part of the local economy, especially in the early 1900s when it provided winter employment for farmers and other workers. In the photo above, a group of lumbermen pose proudly with their two teams and loads of logs cut near West Guilford. This photo, taken in the winter of 1923-24, is from an original loaned by Carrie Drysdale to the Minden Museum.

#### letters to the editor

# Reader donates \$2,000 to YWCA women's centre following article

To the Editor,

I have good news!

As a result of your article titled "Crisis calls up at YWCA Women's Centre" in the *Haliburton County Echo* Dec. 7, YWCA Women's Centre, Haliburton County received a phone call from an anonymous donor who felt compelled to contribute financially to expanding HERS (Haliburton Emergency Rural SafeSpace) from a one unit facility to two.

She generously donated \$2,000, stating that now she and her husband are permanent residents, they would like to contribute to their community in any way they can.

Thanks for focusing on the important issue of violence against women in Haliburton County.

It is more prevalent than most people realize, and your articles are bringing this sad truth to light.

But your articles also offer hope.

YWCA Women's Centre, Haliburton County, offers many free and confidential services that help women to live free from violence in Haliburton County, and you are helping to make women aware of this fact.

Sarah Adams Resource Development Coordinator YWCA Peterborough, Victoria and Haliburton

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## Board unfurls flag policy

#### **Chad Ingram**

Staff reporter

A policy defining just when schools can lower their flags to half-mast was accepted by trustees of the Trillium Lakelands District School Board at a committee-of-thewhole meeting in Minden on Jan. 12.

Director of education Larry Hope said the policy had been brought forward in light of the board's character development committee's focus on citizenship as well as the high number of requests schools get to lower their flags to half-mast.

Hope said the policy was drawn up after doing some research and looking at the policies of other school boards.

The new policy dictates that schools within the board can fly their flags at halfmast upon the death of a child enrolled at that school; the death of a staff member at the school or school board; the death of a trustee; on Remembrance Day; and on other occasions determined by the direc-

Trustee John Byrne suggested that the

policy should also include that flags be lowered when they are ordered so by Canada's government.

"If the government orders a flag to be flown at half-mast, it should be," Byrne

However, Hope, board chairwoman Karen Round and past chairwoman Judy Saunders all thought it would be simpler for schools to take instruction from the director's office rather than based on other reports schools may or may not hear

"I think the majority of schools would miss that," Round said in response to Byrne's example.

Saunders said it was important that there be consistency across the board when it comes to the lowering of flags.

The policy also deals with proper care of flags and stipulates that each school should fly a Canadian flag on days when classes are in session.

Schools with a second flag pole may also fly the provincial flag.

The policy must be adopted by the board at the next regular board meeting.





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# Charlie Davis: musician, survivor

nome men from Ireland are a potent combination of talent, sweet talk, and exuberance. Charlie Davis fit that mould, but dangers threatened to overturn his applecart, and he needed a change in scenery, then a change in lifestyle to save himself.

Born in Dublin, Ireland in 1950, Davis came along much later than his seven siblings, some of whom already had their own kids.

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george farrell

When he was just 11 his dad died of a heart attack. Davis was the only one left at home who could take care of his mother, so at the tender age of 13 he left school to find work. He continued working until he was 17, when his uncle passed away and left his mom with the means to take care of herself.

At that time in Dublin there were a lot of neighbourhood gangs that young Davis encountered

on a regular basis, and he was getting beat up a lot.

His mother suggested that he go to England, to live with one of his sisters; but instead he chose Canada. Another sister, whom he'd never met, lived in Toronto.

"Times were so tough in Ireland," says Davis "and there were posters all over Dublin in the '60s urging people to immigrate to Canada."

So he came, and by so doing escaped one danger; "because," he says, "in order to make decent money you had to be crook to live in Ireland at that time." When he left Ireland Davis was making "about \$25 a week, and you just couldn't survive."

When he got to Toronto in 1967 he stayed with his sister Jean for a while. His brother-in-law got him a job pumping gas, and he kept that job, on a part-time basis, while he attended high school.

The Irish are known for their love of music, and the Davis family was rich in that tradition. Davis started playing guitar when he was eight. "I'd play along with aunts, uncles and neighbours," he says. "Mom would play piano, and Dad would sing."

Playing Irish songs on his guitar sustained his homesickness for awhile, but in 1971, a year after he graduated from high school, he went back to Ireland.

"It was a much bigger culture shock going back than it was coming to Canada," Davis says. "Things still hadn't changed that much and I made up my mind right away to come back to Canada." By working as much as he could during the day, while also performing in coffee houses at night, Davis eventually saved enough to come back in

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He landed a job at Consumer's Gas as a construction worker. He stayed with Consumers for 35 years, eventually moving up to supervisor.

Davis has a daughter Heather, from his first marriage, who now lives in Sudbury. In 1988 Davis married Judy Hill, and now he's also father to stepson Paul. That same year Charlie and Judy bought a house in Brooklin, Ont., which was close to Judy's work.

Then in 2002, Davis had a massive heart attack, brought on by the stresses of his job, ("nothing was easy"), and hereditary factors. "I had three big blockages," he says, "and the doctor said if I wanted to live I had to get more exercise, change my diet and basically undergo a complete change in lifestyle."

Changing from the seemingly easygoing, fun loving, life-of-the-party type of guy could not have been easy for Davis, but he was getting to an age where changes were

"Judy's dad Allan had come over from Manchester, and we'd jump in the car and drive all around Southern Ontario, to show him around," Davis says, and that's how they discovered Haliburton. "Allan said we should just buy a lot up here, and build on it," Davis recalls.

So keeping that suggestion in the back of their minds. one day they decided to drive to Haliburton for a meal. "Judy went in to McKecks restaurant, while I went in to Century 21 to look at real estate," says Davis, "and we bought property on Hurricane Lake that very day, in March of 2002."

The Davises would stay in a small cabin on the property while their house was being built, and Charlie moved up permanently in 2008, the same year that he retired. Judy still works in the GTA and comes up on weekends. Charlie in the meantime has been busy fine-tuning the house and becoming involved in the community.

"I volunteer at the fish hatchery," he says enthusiastically, "and help with feeding, cleaning the tanks and stocking the lakes. I work with a great bunch of guys, and it was the best thing I ever did to move up here. We've met tons of people. I'm a people person, and as soon as we got here we met Karen Frybort in McKecks, and her husband Mick, and I got involved with their band Ragged Company." Davis can't play guitar anymore due to an injury to one of his fingers, so now he plays keyboards,



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Originally from Ireland, **Charlie Davis** found his way to Haliburton. It was the best thing he ever did, he says. /Photo by George Farrell

and blues harmonica. He also sings.

Davis has escaped a dangerous social scene in Dublin and a heart attack in the GTA, but he's performing with Ragged Company as well as his own Charles Street Band, which he's been playing with for 23 years. So he's still very much on the go.

If you want to check out intrepid survivor Charlie Davis, the Charles Street Band is playing at McKecks sometime in February, so keep an eye out.



# First woman inducted to Hall of Fame to attend Morrison hockey tourney

**Darren Lum** 

Staff reporter

Even a flooded first floor did little to dampen his excitement for the upcoming third annual Scotty Morrison Hockey Tournament in Minden and Haliburton on the Feb. 4-6 week-

Scotty Morrison couldn't be happier about this year's tournament named after him since he learned about Angela James's attendance, who is the first woman inductee to the Hockey Hall of Fame (HHOF).

Often regarded as the Wayne Gretzky of women's hockey, James is synonymous with Canadian women's hockey success and was inducted with American hockey great Cammi

They not only were inducted, but felt the warm embrace by Morrison during a ceremony to recognize their inclusion among the best of hockey.

When discussing the ceremony with his then-secretary Kelly Massey (when he was the CEO and chairman of HHOF) Morrison promised he would do more than shake hands.

"Kelly, I'm not shaking their hands. I'm going to give them a big hug. She just laughed and said, 'Now you behave your

"Well of course there are about 20 of us out on the ice and I said to both Cammi and Angela: Now, I don't know where I'll be positioned along that centre ice. You're going to get a great big hug. I'm just that happy to see two ladies finally inducted into our Hockey Hall of Fame and that's what I did. Everybody was saying to me: 'Nice going Morrison. Nineteen guys shake and you have to give them a big hug.' Yeah, I told them I was going to do that," he said, laughing.

Long before James was inducted into the HHOF, Morrison said the charity tournament committee had been discussing the idea of recognizing her accomplishments at the tournament and always wanted to give her that due recognition.

She is expected to be available before and after the Feb. 4 dinner for questions. Morrison hopes they can assemble a collection of photos and memorabilia related to her career to display.

James will attend the Friday night dinner, but is unlikely to



Bill Hay, chairman of the Hockey Hall of Fame's board of directors and Jim Gregory, (right) co-chairman of the selection committee formally inducted Angela James late last year.

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play in the Saturday exhibition game between the Canadian National Amputee team versus the OPP and NHL alumni due to scheduling conflicts, as was first mentioned an event

While chairman of the HHOF, Morrison worked toward getting women a separte vote with the organization.

Initially the selection of HHOF inductees was arrived at with a vote for men and women nominees. The voting procedure is now set up so that there are four places for men and a separate vote for women inductees, including a vote for nominees regarded as builders.

"One of the things that I was particularly concerned about and so was Bill Hay, who took over my place as chairman and CEO, is we set the bar high whenever the first females go into the [HHOF] and certainly with those two, Angela and Cammi, that's exactly what happened," he said, adding the same rules apply to female players who must be retired from hockey for three years before they are eligible.

James was a member of women's gold medal world championship teams in 1990, 1992, 1994 and 1997.

She was Canada's leading scorer with 11 goals at the 1990 women's world championship and an all-star in 1992.

Despite being left off the team that played in the 1998 Olympics in Nagano, Japan, James will never be forgotten for her physical and dominating play in women's hockey.

In 2008, she was the first woman, along with Geraldine Heaney and Cammi Granato, to be inducted to the International Ice Hockey Hall of Fame.

Named for Morrison, who is a former NHL Referee-in-Chief and the chairman and CEO of the Hockey Hall of Fame, the hockey tournament is Community Care Haliburton County's largest fundraiser of the year.

Inductees require at least 75 per cent of the vote from the hall to be inducted.

Morrison is currently serving HHOF as a member of the board of directors and the governance committee, including chairman of the human resources compensation com-

The event will also include NHL alumni, former NHL linesman Ray Scapinello and former Toronto Maple Leafs general manager (1969-1979) Jim Gregory, who are both HHOF

For more information about the event see the website www.communitycarehaliburton.com.

### Local resident concerned about uranium levels in well water

**Angelica Blenich** 

Staff reporter

Gooderham resident Frank Mizzi is concerned about the effects the water from his private well may have on his health after the water tested for high levels of uranium.

Mizzi brought his concerns to Highlands East on Jan. 11 during the monthly council meeting.

The problem began, said Mizzi, when he noticed around June that the people and animals living in his home were

As a result Mizzi did a mineral check on the water coming from his private well, which showed a high level of ura-

'We never thought to test the water for minerals," said Mizzi in an interview with the *Echo*. "Nobody does."

Mizzi has been a resident of Gooderham for almost 11 years and owns a property with a 400-foot well.

He has been concerned with water issues since surviving the E. coli outbreak in Walkerton in the early 2000s.

Mizzi paid \$60 for a mineral test on his well, which he

says was worth it.

After getting the results of the mineral test, Mizzi told councillors he contacted the local health unit and the Min-

The Ministry of the Environment told me it came down to an issue of money," said Mizzi. "I told them isn't a person's life more important than money?'

He told council the public well located in Gooderham concerned him because it hasn't been checked for minerals. He has contacted four health units around the region requesting it be checked.

What we need here is some education," said Mizzi. "If someone gets sick where do they go?"

Ward 3 Councillor Cec Ryall requested additional copies of Mizzi's research, which Mizzi said he could provide to all members of council.

"I think this is a public health issue," said Ward 4 Councillor Joan Barton.

Environment supervisor Glen Covert informed council the public well in Gooderham is currently tested more frequently than is required legally.

Council signed a resolution requesting the local health

unit test for certain minerals, free of charge, for the benefit of the public.

Mizzi thanked council for their support.

"I think this is an important issue that needs to be addressed throughout the whole country."

According to Richard Ovcharovich, manager of environmental health for the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit, free bacteria well tests are currently available to the public.

Water samples collected by the health unit are currently tested for Total Coliform and E. coli.

At this time the health unit does not offer mineral tests.

'We generally don't have the ability to test for uranium," said Ovcharovich. "The ability that the health unit has is to test for bacteria logical ... we provide the service of delivering the samples to our provincial public health lab ... our labs do not have the ability to test for uranium. Those are a little more specific samples that are done in private labs."

According to Ovcharovich not all private labs have the ability to test for uranium either and those interested in obtaining a mineral test to should inquire ahead of time.

# Prayer breakfast focuses on mercy

**Angelica Blenich** 

Staff reporter

The Leaders' Prayer Breakfast, held on Jan. 13 at the West Guilford Community Centre reminded those in attendance of the importance of showing love, forgiveness and mercy in a day-to-day capacity.

Organized by the Dysart Ministerial, the second annual event offers the opportunity for the community to pray for municipal politicians, public servants and other top officials throughout both the county and the country

"I'm glad Canada is a nation where we can worship freely," said Rev. Bev Hicks of Northland Faith Church.

The purpose of the event, said Hicks, was to mix politics and religion in a positive way.

"We left our denominational banners at the door," said Hicks. "As Rev. Harry Morgan says when we all get to heaven we're all going to be united anyways."

Hicks further explained the event was not to provide an opportunity for negative political comments or pressure.

"Even though you may not have voted for the government officials we're going to pray

for them, it's important that we do. They've got responsibilities and a lot of pressure. We need to pray for them."

Opening remarks were made by MPP Rick Johnson, who said he attended his first prayer breakfast a year ago in Toronto, which emphasized a theme of forgiveness.

Local MP Barry Devolin reflected on his past year in politics and his future intention to seek the position of speaker of the House of Commons.

A musical segment was led by Rev. Morgan, followed by an inspirational message from guest speaker Aron Rempington of the Toronto Fire Department.

Rempington spoke on the nature of his job and the demand he faces to make tough decisions everyday.

His job, said Rempington, and his life require him to consistently show mercy and forgiveness, even to those who he may think are undeserving.

Rempington encouraged those in the room to live their lives the same way and to pray for those in positions of authority who have to make tough decisions.

Following the guest speaker local pastors and reverends led in prayer as those in attendance prayed for the prime minister, the



Angelica Blenich Echo staff

Aron Rempington of the Toronto Fire Department speaks at the second annual Leaders' Prayer Breakfast held on Jan. 13 at the West Guilford Community Centre. Rempington spoke on the importance of showing mercy, grace and forgiveness both in your profession and in your personal life.

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### Parking bylaws examined

**Darren Lum** 

Staff reporter

The following are briefs from the Dysart Council on Monday, Jan. 10.

Amendments for zoning bylaws are being discussed.

Among the areas council wants to examine include a parking restriction bylaw.

Currently, commercial vehicles such as dump trucks are restricted from parking on residential property while the parking of construction vehicles such as bulldozers on residential property is permitted. However, it is rarely enforced, unless by complaint, said chief building inspector Dan Sayers.

"The way the bylaw is written now is that we restrict any commercial vehicles that are larger than a half-ton truck," Sayers said. "That's part of the reason why we put this [suggestion for amendment] in here because we do recognize there's a lot of people that bring their work trucks home ... it's not that we're trying to restrict them. We're trying to set some sort of regulation so if you park a truck larger than a half-ton in your yard the neighbour can phone us to complain that you're not allowed."

Planner Pat Martin added, "Vehicles that are licensed are heavily restricted. Vehicles that are not licensed such as bulldozers are not restricted at all."

Yeah, we've got it backwards," Fearrey

Another amendment discussed was bylaw definitions for "home business" and "home industries." They are distinguished by where they are and not their use, said Martin.

A home business is any business that can

be tolerated in a house, which leads to the assumption that a neighbour can also tolerate it.

The one issue that came up was whether art studios would be accommodated since the zoning would affect artists.

Dennis Casey spoke specifically about the issues facing artists who own kilns and how insurance companies are telling them to move it outside of their homes. Will this mean it goes outside or in another structure that has to be built?

There will be a discussion of these and other bylaw issues open to the public at 10 a.m. in council chambers on Feb. 7.

#### Fire department sees future problems

Fire chief Miles Maughan said his department responded to 23 calls, including 16 medical assist calls for December.

However what aren't included in the numbers are the two calls that were the result of "monitored alarm systems."

Maughan and his deputy chief Don Stephenson are concerned for the future, as more and more property owners are using automated alarm systems, which often send out "automated calls."

"It's the way it is now," Stephenson said. "It's only going to get worse."

Two might not seem like a lot, but when it approaches close to 10 per cent of an entire month of calls it can be dire in an area of department coverage that could require 40 minutes of travel for a call that is not an emergency, Maughan pointed out.

Stephenson and Maughan have noticed an increase of these kinds of alarm systems being used in the Haliburton Lake and Percy Lake areas.

Another concern is the greater need for fire fighters to be available during the day, which was revealed in informal discussions with other municipal fire chiefs, Maughan said.

Currently the department has close to 12 members of the 26-member department available in the day and although it has one of the better ratios, Maughan and Stephenson stress the need for more.

The crucial nature of emergency scenes such as vehicular accidents require a lot of people in the first 10 to 20 minutes to not only help with care and rescue, but to secure scenes, which include blocking roads and setting up a perimeter for the safety of the scene to everyone.

#### **Lowest building permit** number in three years

Sayers reported a drop in permits for new dwellings and the total number of permits in 2010 compared to the past two years.

With only 66 permits for new dwellings this past year, Dysart dropped by 21 permits compared to the previous year while the total number of permits dropped by 25 this year from 327 last year and was eight fewer than

Although there was a year high of 44 building permits issued in September this year that number dropped to a year low of eight in December, equating to a difference of \$1,004,500 in construction value.

The highest value for construction was achieved in June with the issuance of 42 permits on construction worth \$4,487,000 compared to the low for the year of two permits on buildings worth \$155,000 in February.

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## HE debates eliminating ward councillor reports

#### **Angelica Blenich**

Staff reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the Jan. 11 meeting of Highlands East council.

After much discussion councillors of Highlands East have agreed to keep ward reports as part of their monthly meetings, however decided to change the format in which they would be presented.

During a procedural bylaw discussion, municipal CAO and treasurer Sharon Stoughton-Craig raised the topic of ward reports.

"One of the things that we have in our procedural bylaw that is not the norm is the ward councillor's report and I have no idea how that ever got in there or how it became such an abused report," said Stoughton-Craig.

Stoughton-Craig informed councillors that historically the reports acted as a way for ward representatives to inform council on the social aspects of the community and not as a way to bash staff, which according to Stoughton-Craig has since occurred.

"It was not a place to raise new business, there is a place on the agenda to raise new business," said Stoughton-Craig. "New business should never be discussed without it appearing on the agenda first for the public to know it's going to come forward and secondly to give staff and members of council the opportunity to have the facts and figures to address that new business."

Stoughton-Craig asked councillors whether or not they wanted to continue with the reports and if so they should be filed in writing to either her or municipal clerk Irene Cook prior to the meeting.

Deemed a productive tool when used properly, councillors decided to keep ward councillor reports in the agenda however changing the format in which they are presented.

Moving forward councillors will file their written reports ahead of all scheduled council meetings to Cook, who will adopt them into the agenda and distribute to all members of council.

"The reason I put this on the agenda is because we are all professional people and I would like our municipality to get back to being considered professional," said Stoughton-Craig.

#### Satellite EMS base pitching in

The number of calls received by the Highlands East fire department in 2010 was down reported fire chief Bill Wingrove, a fact he attributed to the presence of an EMS satellite base in Tory Hill.

The total number of calls in 2010 was 219, compared to 255 in 2009.

Council passed a resolution to appoint three new members to the fire department. The new members include Adam Szelei, Brian Woods and Mike Venema.

Wingrove recommended not making any changes to the fire protection agreement with the township of Dysart et al before it is passed by bylaw.

Wingrove also recommended the municipality not make any changes to the fire department's insurance coverage and leave it as is as there is no change from last year's premium.

#### **Requests for funding**

Various organizations throughout the county are seeking continued financial support from the municipality.

Hilary Elia, on behalf of Community Care Haliburton County and Heather Reid, on behalf of U-Links, made a special delegation to council.

Both Elia and Reid expressed their gratitude for the municipality's ongoing support and expressed the need for such support to continue.

Last year Community Care received funding in the amount of \$3,000 from the municipality. This year the organization is seeking an increase to \$4,000, citing the economic climate as a primary reason for the increase.

The support, said Elia, will help the organization continue to offer its many programs and services, which include Meals on Wheels.

On behalf of U-Links Reid requested financial support in the amount of \$2,500, a contribution the organization is seeking from every municipality in the county.

Reid also extended an invitation to a member of council to be a liaison with the U-Links committee.

Both requests for funding were deferred to a later date when the municipality finalizes its budget for 2011.

#### **Building numbers up**

It was a good news report from chief building official Randy Dunsmore who informed council that building numbers from the past year were up compared to those from 2009.

The total number of building permits issued for 2010 was 201, compared to 166 permits issued for 2009. The 2010

number falls in line with those issued in 2007, which coincides with pre-recession numbers.

Dunsmore informed council that construction value has also remained constant. According to his report the total amount of construction value as of to date is \$8,271,542.

#### New term, new committees

With a new term of council underway Reeve Dave Burton suggested the municipality form a number of new committees to help address some of the challenges faced in Highlands East.

Burton suggested the municipality form a trail committee, a green energy committee, an affordable housing committee and a business retention and attraction committee.

While Burton was unsure what each of these committees would entail all members of council agreed they should be put on the agenda for February.



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# **Sports**

## Visiting Spartans stun junior Hawks

**Darren Lum** Staff reporter

The junior boys' Red Hawks basketball team is looking past the Lindsay Collegiate Vocational Institute Spartans after losing to them in a lopsided home game in Haliburton on Thursday, Jan. 13.

The Spartans are the best team in the league and sport an undefeated record, but Haliburton should have been within eight or 10 points their coach said.

The Red Hawks junior boys head coach Paul Longo was visibly disappointed after the loss, 44-30.

"We've played a lot better than that all year. There was hope in the fourth quarter ... unfortunately we were one for 18 from the foul line, which is not good," Longo said, adding a better shooting percentage could have helped. "The positive is that we got to the [free throw] line 18 times.'

Haliburton doubled the top-ranked Spartans 13-6 in the fourth quarter though and showed they had a better game in them than the final score.

With better passing, shooting percentage and ability to keep Spartan second chances at the net down, Haliburton kept pace with the Spartans.

Longo acknowledged the improved play from his team in the second half.

They were led in the second half by captain Tanner Ballantyne with 10 points and Louis Ferracuti's six points. Ballantyne finished the game with 12 points.

Although Haliburton were within four points, 13-9, after the first quarter, Longo thought his team came out flat, as the Spartans, who jumped to a 14-point lead, 25-11, dominated the second quarter easily.

Forwards Nate Feir, who scored four points in the quarter, nearly half the team's total, and Zack Cox, were active on the glass, pulling down several rebounds in the open-

Cox was a dominant presence on the glass at both ends in the entire game.

Feir left at half time because of his hockey commitment. Jordan Hamilton and Cooper Sherlock, who both played well, replaced him at the forward position.

"I have confidence in every single one of them on the bench and they are getting better and better," Longo said.

Haliburton remains with two wins, but could easily have four wins Longo said, adding there were two losses that were by five points or less.

This week they will host the St. Thomas Aquinas Titans and expect a better result.

"We beat them this year and hopefully we'll be able to do that," Longo said.



**Darren Lum** Echo staff

Left, junior guard Tanner Ballantyne is blocked on a shot.



**Darren Lum** Echo staff

Red Hawks senior players Denver Smith and Chris Allison battle for a loose ball against an LCVI Spartans player on Thursday, Jan. 13. Haliburton won 44-36, but fell short of taking second place in Kawartha West by two points in the game.

# **Hawks hold Spartans**

**Darren Lum** 

Staff reporter

The Red Hawks senior boys' basketball team is riding a wave of momentum and returned from the Kawartha league holiday break to beat the visiting Lindsay Collegiate Vocational Institute Spartans on Thursday, Jan. 13.

After beating host team Bracebridge Muskoka Lakes Secondary School in the tournament opener (52-42), the Red Hawks, who were without centre Jesse Lefebvre due to a calf muscle pull, dropped a close decision to Park Street High School of Orillia (37-34) in Bracebridge last Saturday.

Despite the loss, the strong play helped to give the team confidence heading into the Spartans game, Haliburton coach Roland Zilla said.

Both teams are AAA schools, which indicates their popu-

In the first quarter, the Red Hawks dominated, jumping to a nine point lead with a 9-0 run until surrendering their first point with a little over two and a half minutes left in

Haliburton closed out the quarter 12-2.

The Spartans were spurred on by an offensive push from Mitch Caskenette, who had eight points in the quarter to outpace the entire Red Hawks team. He brought his team to within five points, 19-14 when the first half ended. Haliburton lost the quarter 14-7.

In the second half, the Spartans chipped away at the dwindling lead, even tying it up with two and a half minutes left in the third quarter, 20-20.

Compared to the early going when the Red Hawks had their standard press, Haliburton employed an all-out attacking press, which helped to create turnovers in the offensive ends, resulting in five points.

Haliburton guard Damon Flatman, who consistently drove to the net and was rewarded with at least five trips to the free throw line in the game, converted a three-point play when he stole a ball, then scored on the drive to the net and drained his foul shot when he was fouled on the play, giving the Red Hawks a lead, 23-20.

On the ensuing drive, Flatman figured again in the scoring, passing to Jesse Walker for an easy lay up and a five point lead, 25-20.

With less than three minutes left in the game, the Red Hawks secured a large enough lead when Lefebvre, who was listed as questionable days before, took a loose ball and ran the floor and then scored on a lay-up, 35-29.

Caskenette, who had contributed greatly in the first half for the Spartans, disappeared offensively, held off the scoresheet in the second half.

The crowd and the Red Hawks bench went into hyster-

Red Hawks forward Luke Watson added a basket for additional insurance, 39-29.

Although Haliburton went on to win 44-36, the Red Hawks fell short of capturing second place, as they needed to win by 10 points since LCVI holds an edge in total points scored for when the Red Hawks lost by 10 points earlier in the season. Zilla was proud of his team and was happy with its performance, as he believes it is a vast improvement from their first meeting with the Spartans.

"It's an 18-point turn around and that's a positive thing to look at. We were actually up by 11 [points]," he said, adding they had the opportunities to win the game by more than 10 points. "We have a 60/70-point game in us. I really believe we do ... when those outside shots come for us."

Free throws were weak, he said, shooting less than 50 per cent, which was nine of 20 and should be 15.

He said the main difference between this game and the one earlier in the season was a new defensive zone system, which is a variation of a trap, but in a diamond formation with one up front that confuses offenses. The main difference has players running different patterns such as the centre, moving in an L ending up under the bucket on the offside of the bucket.

The Red Hawks are now 4-2 on the season.

The Wildcats of I.E. Weldon lead the league.

## **Novice capture first in Muskoka Parry Sound loop**

The Peppermill Highland Storm Novice Team are regular season champs in the Muskoka/Parry Sound Hockey League finishing the season with an impressive 13 wins, four ties and one loss record in their 18 game schedule. After dropping the opening game of the season to Huntsville, the boys never looked back going undefeated in their final 17 games. The league was very evenly matched which meant that every game was closely contested. The Storm managed to score 91 goals while allowing a league leading 28 against in their 18 matches. Every player on the team contributed to the team effort. In their final three games the Storm earned two 4-4 ties against Port Carling and in the game to determine first place in the league the Highland Storm shut down the high powered Port Carling Offence to earn a 4-0 shout victory in perhaps the team's best game of the year. Goaltender Nigel Smith earned the shutout with tremendous support from defensemen, Ethan Glecoff, James Alexander, Isaac Little and Ryan Hall. Offensive points were provided by all six forwards; Alex Little, Paul Turner, Tyson Clements, Benn MacNaull, Zach Morissette and Joe Boice. The team was awaiting the return of Mikki Bukta and is preparing for playoff action which will begin in the next two weeks. The Storm will face off against the winner of the Elmvale Pennetang Series and is looking forward to their next challenge.

Submitted by Paul Morissette

#### Peewee As lose in overtime

The Pharmasave Peewee As lost in overtime against Schomberg 4-3. Goals were scored by Ryan Edwards, Jaydon Wood and Mathew Wilbee. Assists went to Morgan Hamilton, Mathew Wilbee and Chace Burden. The Pharmasave Peewee As play in Schomberg on Saturday and in Minden on Sunday at 4 p.m.

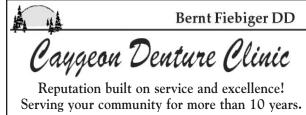
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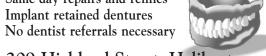
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Final scores: 1-0 loss to Sturgeon Lake, 3-2 loss to Goucester/Orleans, 5-0 loss to Otanabee

Next Games: Playdowns begin in Meaford this weekend! Atom AEs learn lessons for Meaford playdowns

Floyd Hall Insurance's Atom AEs were in tough at this year's Liftlock tournament, playing against A teams, and having a difficult time mustering offence. Their tournament started on Friday afternoon against Sturgeon Lake. Our goalie, Carson Sisson played a phenomenal game and kept the score even at zeroes but a wonky bounce that led to a breakaway goal in the dying seconds lifted the opposition to victory. It was a heartbreaking way to start the tournament but the boys came away knowing that they can compete at an A level.

Their second game was an early morning tilt against Gloucester/Orleans and our boys may have needed a little more time to wake up. It was 3-0 for Gloucester by the end of the second and it looked like all was lost, but in third, our players suddenly awoke and scored two quick ones to make it close. Cullen Johnston kept the puck in at the blue line and Matthew Manning was able to muck it behind the net and get it over to Ben Schmidt at the side boards. His shot made it through several players in front and suddenly the boys came to life. A beautiful rushing goal by Ryan Prentice assisted by Trevor Turner brought the boys to within one and with the goalie pulled in the dying seconds it looked like they might just be able to tie it. Again though, a bounce of the puck went the wrong way and we came up short.

The final game against Otanabee wasn't as bad as the 5-0 score indicated but our squad just couldn't muster the offence needed and Otanabee was able to take full advantage of the opportunities provided to them.

Despite everything, our squad never gave up and they should be proud of the way the carried themselves through-

#### out the event. These will be good lessons for the playdowns which begin next weekend in Meaford. Submitted by Jon Petrie

#### Bantam girls win gold at tournament

The Minden Car Quest Bantam C girls' hockey team participated in the Orillia Hawks Girls Hockey Association Sunshine Tournament this weekend.

The girls had a strong first game taking on a league opposition - Lindsay Lynx. The Highland Storm girls started slow but found their form halfway through the second period and skated to a 5-0 win.

The girls faced off against Wellesley in their second game of their pool play. The Minden Car Quest Bantam C squad was in tough and lost the game 4-2. The girls finished third in their pool and the standings put them in a rematch game against the same Wellesley team on Saturday night.

The girls put together a stellar performance and kept Wellesley off the score sheet and tied the game 0-0. The format was straight to shoot out. Kelsey Maracle kept the shoot out alive on the third shot, Alex Litwin scored at the same time as the Wellesley shooter and Maddie Allore (ninth shooter) advanced the Highland Storm girls to the semi-finals on Sunday.

The team took on St. Mary's Sunday morning, defeating them 2-0 in a nail-biter. Connor Marsden notched her third shut-out of the tournament (15th of the season) in the win to advance to the championship. Erin Little and Sydney Feir scored the Highland Storm tallies.

In the championship game, The Bantam C girls took on a fast-skating and talented Timmins team. The girls jumped out to a quick 2-0 lead in the first period with goals from Erin Little and Sydney Feir. After two periods of play, Timmins had tied the game at 2-2. The girls pressured attack early in the third period generated another two-goal lead on snipes from Alex Litwin and the eventual game winner

Timmins never gave up and scored on a power play with their goalie pulled late in the third period. The girls were able to keep their composure and battled the Timmins team, keeping them from scoring another goal to tie it up and send the game into over-time. Great weekend ladies bringing home the gold!

see TYKES page 21





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# Tykes win 6-1

Saturday, Jan. 15 the Highland Storm Tyke team travelled to Fenelon Falls for their first tournament of the year.

The puck dropped at 10:30 a.m. against Barrie. Our Tykes were victorious with a 6-1 win. Having back-to-back games our kids laced up their skates, being down in the second our kids battled hard to come back with a 4-3 win against Sturgeon Lake.

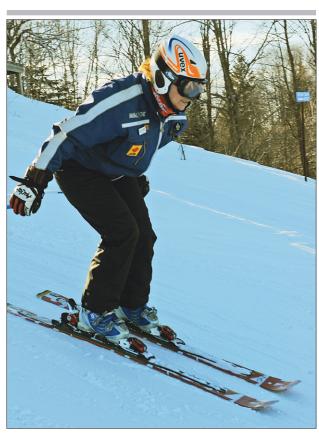
With two wins, this put the kids in the A finals. With great effort from all the kids and amazing goal tendering by Tyler Wilson we won 6-1.

Congrats to all the kids. Keep up the great work! Submitted by the parents of Highland Storm Tykes

> Tykes make the A finals in their first tournament of the season. /Submitted photo

#### **Rockets beat Jets**

The Wilberforce Rockets defeated the Bancroft Jets in a game on Sunday, Jan.16. The final score was 8-3 for the Wilberforce team.



#### Seniors get some hill time

Marianne races down the hill at Sir Sam's Ski Area with the weekly Gate Busters group that meets.

Angelica Blenich Echo staff



**Another Gate** Buster, Alex Roome, gets off to a speedy start.



### Career & Business Opportunities



Township of Algonquin **Highlands** requires a

CLERK – PLANNING ADMINISTRATOR

The Township of Algonquin Highlands with a permanent population of 2,000 and a seasonal population exceeding 10,000 is known within Central Ontario as an area of natural beauty where residents enjoy a rural lifestyle second to none.

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is seeking applications from experienced, qualified persons for the position of Clerk-Planning Administrator. Reporting to the C.A.O., and as a member of the Senior Management Team, the Clerk-Planning Administrator will perform a wide variety of functions including the statutory and advisory duties of Clerk as set forth in applicable provincial legislation.

This position is also responsible for the coordination of all land use planning issues and requires a sound knowledge of the legislative framework, principles and best practices related to land-use planning together with excellent analytical, problem solving, interpersonal, reporting writing and presentation skills

The preferred candidate will possess the following qualifications:

- Five years experience in a municipal management position.
- A related post secondary education or community college diploma in public administration, local government, planning or related discipline, or a related mix of education and experience.
- Municipal administration courses.
- Working knowledge of the Municipal Act, Planning Act, Elections Act, Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Municipal Conflict of Interest Act and other legislation related to municipal governance.
- Significant demonstrated management experience and understanding of local government, municipal administration and land use planning.
- interpersonal. project/time management, organizational, analytical, communication and presentation
- Strong computer skills.

\$59,342.89 - \$66,790.95 (under review) Salary Range:

Applicants must indicate how they meet the minimum qualifications in their resume. We thank all applicants; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted

Please submit your resume in confidence by <u>4:00 p.m.</u> on February 18<sup>th</sup>, <u>2011</u> to:

#### Angie Bird, C.A.O.

Township of Algonquin Highlands 1123 North Shore Road, Algonquin Highlands, Ontario, K0M 1J1 Email – <u>abird@algonquinhighlands.ca</u>

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#### **TREASURER**

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The Township of Algonquin Highlands is seeking applications from experienced, qualified persons for the position of Treasurer. Reporting to the C.A.O., and as a member of the Senior Management Team, the Treasurer will perform the statutory duties of Treasurer as set forth in applicable provincial legislation. In this position, you will be responsible for the following:

- · Supervision of three full-time staff in tax collection, accounts payable/receivable, and payroll.
- · Coordinate and lead the annual budget process, development of long-term capital/operating budget forecasts.
- Responsible for GL, FIR completions, monthly operating statements, taxation and municipal revenue functions.
- Maintain asset inventory in compliance with PSAB.
- Preparation of required financial statements and reports to Council and Senior Staff.
- · Coordinate all audit requirements.
- · Human Resources and payroll functions including benefit administration.
- · Oversee insurance plans and risk management issues.
- Computer software maintenance and back-up systems.

The preferred candidate will possess the following qualifications:

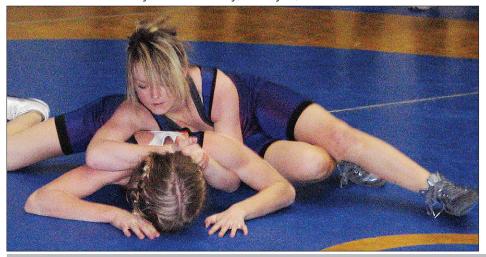
- · A related post secondary education or university degree with an accounting designation, or a related mix of education and experience.
- Municipal finance courses. Significant demonstrated management experience and understanding of local government finance, municipal financial planning, financial information systems, municipal financial reporting, taxation experience, budgetary processes, and supervisory experience.
- Excellent interpersonal, financial, project/time management, organizational, analytical, communication, presentation, staff leadership and supervisory skills.
- · Advanced computer skills including thorough knowledge of accounting software, spreadsheet and data base management (USTI municipal software experience an asset)

Salary Range: \$81,539 - \$91,772 subject to meeting all qualifications Applicants must indicate how they meet the minimum qualifications in their resume. We thank all applicants; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Please submit your resume in confidence by 4:00 p.m. on February 18, 2011 to:

#### Angie Bird, C.A.O.

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### **2011 brings Hawks success**

The Red Hawks' wrestling team began the new year with outstanding results at the annual Crestwood Mustangs Wrestling Tournament in Peterborough. Nineteen Red Hawks grappled at the highly competi-Mens' Results:

Silver- Cody Cox (57.5 kg) Bronze - Mike Mazara (54 kg), Zane Zondervan (77 kg), Dylan Graham (UNL)

Paul Klose Special to the Echo At left, Nicole Honderich attempts to turn her opponent after a successful leg attack.

tive event, which attracted nearly 300 wrestlers from as far as Kingston, Ont.

Red Hawks Tara O'Sullivan and Megan Tompos won their divisions.

- with files from Paul Klose

Womens' Results:

Gold - Tara O'Sullivan (57.5 kg), Megan Tompos (UNL) Silver - Kayla Gardiner (44 kg), Lily Coneybeare (64 kg) Bronze – Bailey Walker (51 kg) Fourth – Jenn Woolacott (61 kg), Liz Toth (67.5 kg)



#### The Township of Algonquin Highlands requires a DEPUTY CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL/BYLAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER \$41,378 to \$46,571

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Reports to: Chief Building Official

#### Job Description:

- Meet with the public, contractors, designers, architects and engineers to discuss and review their projects for Part 9 and Part 3 structures;
- Respond to telephone and counter inquiries;
- Responsible for the review of plans, applications, and documentation submitted for building permit approval;
- Perform calculations to determine the value of permit fees, development charges etc.;
- Onsite inspection to ensure compliance with the Ontario Building Code;
- Attend training courses and seminars as necessary to remain current in this field;
- Maintain accurate written inspection records and provide written reports as required;
- Enter permit applications and inspection records onto computer system;
- Enforce Township bylaws.

#### **Skills/Education Required**

- Post-secondary diploma in Civil Engineering or Architectural Technology, Building Inspection or a related field;
- Completion of Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing courses leading to a CBCO (Certified Building Code Official)
- Certification in the following categories of qualifications as set out by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Building Code Act:
  - General Legal/Process
  - House
  - **Small Buildings**
  - Plumbing All Buildings
  - HVAC
  - **Building Services**
  - **Building Structural**
  - Complex Buildings
- Experience in court procedures and enforcement as it relates to the Building Code Act and Bylaw Enforcement is preferred:
- 3 to 5 years experience in a Municipal Building Department environment preferred;
- Strong communicator with excellent interpersonal skills;
- Superior customer service skills;
- Current working knowledge of Microsoft Office applications;
- Valid "G" Driver's License for the Province of Ontario:
- Certification in O.A.P.S.O. or willingness to pursue certification.

Applicants must be prepared for skills testing.

Interested applicants are invited to apply in confidence by 4:00 p.m, on February 18, 2011 to:

Mitchell O'Grady Chief Building/Bylaw Enforcement Officer Township of Algonquin Highlands 1123 North Shore Rd.

Algonquin Highlands, ON KOM 1J1

Or e-mail: mogrady@algonquinhighlands.ca

Enquiries: 705-489-2379

Please quote position title on your submission. We appreciate the interest of all applicants, however, only those selected for interviews will be contacted.

### Bench pours it in

#### **Darren Lum**

Staff reporter

The Red Hawks senior boys' basketball team is showing their early season success is not a fluke after shutting out the competition at a three-team exhibition tournament held at Fenelon Falls Secondary School on Friday, Jan. 14.

Coach Walter Tose said, "[the] senior boys' basketball team continued to build on their success with two solid victories against Fenelon Falls (50-46) and the Lindsay Collegiate Vocational Institute Spartans (65-39)."

'Josh Dennys and Austin Lloyd showed outstanding rebounding and contributed eight points and six points respectively. Denver Smith, Dillon Smith, Karlis Suchovs and Andrew Murray all played their best games of the season to date. Meanwhile the rest of the team showed very strong defense and a very disciplined offence through both games," Tose said.

On Tuesday at 2:15 p.m., the Red Hawks will play St. Thomas Aquinas Titans and will host the Falcons of Fenelon Falls on Thursday at 4:15 p.m.

\*full story: www.haliburtonecho.ca -with files from Red Hawks coach Walter Tose

Career & Business Opportunities



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## **Help protect Ontario's bats**

Five years ago in upstate New York, bats started dying from a mysterious condition. Dubbed "white nose syndrome" because of a fungus that grew on affected bats, it has now killed more than a million bats in eastern North America.

In March 2010, the syndrome was detected in Ontario. It has been confirmed at seven sites in central and north-eastern Ontario. The Ministry of Natural Resources and the Canadian Cooperative Health Centre continue to monitor the spread of the disease and determine its impact on Ontario's bats. While the number of bat deaths has been low in Ontario to date, the ministry is concerned about the potential negative impact the syndrome could have on bats in this province.

What can the public do to protect bats?

You can help by staying away from sites where bats hibernate and reporting any unusual bat behaviour (such as daytime flying) or deaths.

White nose syndrome has been linked to a fungus that grows on bats while they hibernate in natural caves and abandoned mines. The fungus seems to irritate and cause bats to awaken, so they use their winter fat stores more quickly. They may leave hibernation sites and fly around outside, often in the daytime, when it's still winter and where there are no food sources available.

Entering caves or abandoned mines may dis-

turb hibernating bats and reduce their ability to survive the winter. The public is encouraged to stay out entirely or avoid entering natural caves or abandoned mines where bats may be hibernating.

If you see bats flying during the daytime in winter, or you see dead bats, please contact the Canadian Cooperative Wildlife Health Centre at 1-866-673-4781 or the Natural Resources Information Centre at 1-800-667-1940.

Do not touch bats, alive or dead, as they can carry rabies.

Why are bats important to us?

Bats are remarkable creatures. They're the only mammal that can fly – bats that are just three weeks old are able to fly and find their own food.

Bats eat insects – lots of them. One bat can consume thousands of flying insects each night during the summer.

Bats navigate and locate food by using echolocation. They send out signals and when the echoes bounce back, the bats can identify where objects are located.

Bats are an important part of Ontario's biodiversity. Eight different species of bats are found in this province; little brown and big brown bats are the most common. Some bats (those affected by white nose syndrome) hibernate in caves, while others fly as far as South America for our winter.

This bat shows the fungus that gives white nose syndrome its



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Subject line: (insert job title). Qualified applicants will be contacted.

## Career & Business Opportunities



- Between the ages of 55-64?
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- Live in Haliburton county?

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Call today to find out if you are eligible to participate in the Targeted Initiative for Older Workers.

Participants may qualify for living allowances and financial supports.

Please contact Donna Arnold or Delaine Sisson at the **Employment Resource Centre** (705)457-2020.



#### TESTIMONIALS...



"Thank you for the opportunity to enroll in TIOW! My skills are now up to date, I have gained a new level of confidence and I am feeling excited about future work experiences." - Dani Stahle

"The experience made me realize my potential, how to present it to a potential employer, and utilize my strengths and values in my search for a new career." - Ted Cumber

I'm still sharing the good news about TIOW whenever I get the chance. It really opened up to me/for me, the possibility of opportunity right here in Haliburton county. It's my belief that the older worker in Haliburton tries to prepare themself for being unemployed, under-employed and to deal with the hopelessness of that situation. TIOW created a "support group" feeling for me. And feeling supported is essential for moving on, to new endeavors like going back to school/continuing education or training. The "tools" we needed were made available to us. I hope to see in the future that it will expand to include the other age groups. The program is very much needed in Haliburton County and will be needed for some years to come.

Thanx to everyone involved.

Your most ardent cheerleader

#### Central East **LHIN**

**Local Health Integration Networks (LHINs)** are a key component of Ontario's plan to make the healthcare system more patient-centred and responsive to local healthcare needs. The Ontario government's vision is that LHINs will respond to local population needs by planning, coordinating, integrating and funding the delivery of health services in each of the 14 LHIN geographic regions.

#### **Part-time Board Directors**

The Government of Ontario has four part-time Director vacancies, commencing in 2011, on the Board of Directors of the Central East LHIN, extending from Scarborough to Northumberland County, and north to Haliburton Highlands. As a member of the Central East LHIN Board, each Director is responsible for directing the affairs of the LHIN in accordance with applicable legislation, constituting documents, approved strategic and business plans, and government policies established and communicated by the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care. Previous Board experience, combined with knowledge in the following areas, would be an asset: healthcare practice and system planning; knowledge and experience in financial/accountability administration; labour and human resources; communications and information management. Directors are appointed by Order-in-Council for a term up to three years, subject to renewal.

For information on the Central East LHIN, please visit our website at www.centraleastlhin.on.ca. Downloadable application forms are available at www.pas.gov.on.ca. All application forms, quoting file number PAS-10109, must be received by January 31, 2011 at: Public Appointments Secretariat, Room 2440, Whitney Block, 99 Wellesley Street West, Toronto, ON M7A 1W4. Alternatively, you may apply online. Only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.



# Two youth spots open for folk camp

The Haliburton County Folk Society has two spots for Haliburton youth to attend the Haliburton County Folk Society Winter Folk Camp, held on March 5, 6 and 7 at Camp Wanakita.

Thanks to our private sponsors and the Haliburton County Folk Society, two youth will be selected to attend the camp. The weekend will include participation in the day camp courses, meals and evening concerts. This is a day camp participation pass. Overnight accommodation is not included.

This is an excellent, unique opportunity for the selected young adults to experience the camp and benefit from the top instruction provided by our Artists in Residence in either guitar, choir, song writing or fiddle.

The winners will be chosen by the folk society by a random draw from the contest entries. To qualify, youth should be between the ages of 14 and 21.

Just send along a letter or email detailing your interest in music and your reasons for wishing to be the candidate selected for this great experience. Include your name, address, telephone number and age in your

Thank you to the sponsors of Winter Folk Camp for helping to make this experience for youth possible. The Haliburton County Folk Society is still accepting sponsors for this youth program.

Entries must be received by Feb. 11 and

Society, Attention: Trina West - Youth Division, at 1107 Steeplechase Dr., Algonquin

may be sent to the Haliburton County Folk Highlands, Ontario, K0M 1J1 or by email to info@haliburtonfolk.com.

## It pays to be a quitter

Better health, more money in your pocket, protecting your loved ones from deadly second-hand smoke, no more guilt trips from your doctor, there are many reasons to quit.

With National Non-Smoking Week (Jan. 16 to 22) upon us, there is no better time to consider giving up cigarettes and other tobacco products, according to the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit.

"It is incredible what individuals stand to gain from giving up tobacco use, and it starts just a few minutes after they quit," says Karen Taylor, a public health nurse, with the HKPR District Health Unit.

As a smoker, 20 minutes after you quit, your heart rate and blood pressure return to normal. After eight hours, your lungs will work better, allowing you to do more without becoming short of breath, Taylor adds. Two days after going tobacco-free, your sense of taste and smell will improve. After one year, your risk of heart disease is decreased by half.

Highlighting the dangers of tobacco use and the benefits of quitting has been the purpose of National Non-Smoking Week (www. nnsw.ca) for more than 30 years. The 2011 edition of the event continues that tradition, with this year's theme being: "There are hundreds of reasons to quit ... what's yours?"

Dearbhla Lynch, a Health Promoter with

the HKPR District Health Unit, encourages smokers and tobacco users to ask themselves that question. "Finding a clear quit goal can help motivate you," she notes. "Even if you fail at your first quit attempt, pat yourself on the back and try again because each quit attempt brings you closer to success."

One of the many reasons to quit is to set an example for others, especially youth. The Canadian Council for Tobacco Control cites research that shows children whose parents smoke are four times more likely to start smoking than children of non-smokers. Another reason to quit, according to the council, is that smoking can literally cost you an arm and a leg. Smoking damages blood vessels causing them to become clogged. This restricts blood flow and can lead to a condition known as peripheral arterial disease. If blood flow to the legs and arms becomes partially or totally blocked, the tissue dies and the limb may need to be amputated.

Area residents who want to quit are encouraged to call the Smokers' Helpline at 1-877-513-5333 or visit www.smokershelpline.ca. The Driven to Quit contest (www.driventoquit.ca) also provides motivation, by giving people the chance to win a new hybrid Honda car and other prizes by being tobaccofree during March 2011.

### **NOTICE** (Applicants - LINDSAY & BESSETTE)

IN THE MATTER OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST TO CLOSE, STOP-UP AND CONVEY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF ORIGINAL ALLOWANCES FOR ROAD ALONG THE SHORE OF SALERNO LAKE, MORE PARTICULARLY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, and the Municipal Procedures, that the TownShip Council of The Corporation of The Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, WILBERFORCE, Ontario on Tuesday, the 15th day of February, 2011, at 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot3, Concession 3, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Parts1,2, and 3 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Steven C. Ruttan, O.L.S., dated April 6, 2010. (part 4 being the flooded portion to be retained by the Municipality of Highlands East).

The Preliminary Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours (9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday) at the Municipality of Highlands East office, Wilberforce, Ontario.

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus.

**AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-Law and. who applies to be heard in person. The person who wishes to address Council should contact the Township Office for delegation time.

**DATED** at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 18th day of January,

**IRENE S. COOK, CMO CLERK/CEMC** 

County Road 648, Box 295 WILBERFORCE, ON KOL 3CO

### Notices



#### **COUNTY OF HALIBURTON Roads Department**

#### **SNOW REMOVAL OPERATIONS**

The Highway Traffic Act R.S.O. 1990, C. H.8, S. 170 (12 & 13), states "No person shall park or stand a vehicle on a highway in such a manner as to interfere with the movement of traffic or the clearing of snow from the highway." A Police Constable, County or Municipal appointed By-Law Officer may have the vehicle removed from the roadway and stored at the owner's expense.

The Highway Traffic Act R.S.O. 1990, C. H.8, S. 181 states "No person shall deposit snow or ice on a roadway without permission in writing to do so from the Ministry or the road authority responsible for maintenance of the road". The penalty on conviction is a fine of \$105.00.

Please be very careful when clearing your driveway, entrance and mail box. Be sure to plow or blow the snow back away from the roadway to avoid creating a hazard for the travelling public.

The cooperation of all motorists in these matters would be appreciated for efficient winter maintenance of County and Municipal Roads and the safety of

**Detachment Commander** Malcolm Quigley Haliburton Highlands O.P.P. Director of Public Works County of Haliburton Roads Department Follow us on twitter @HaliburtonEcho





## Wildlife in your backyard

Tim Donnelly of Mountain Lake saw this red streak of a fox running across

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#### Municipality of Dysart et al

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#### **NOTICE OF** SALE OF SURPLUS ITEMS

The Municipality of Dysart et al is offering the following items for sale to the highest bidder. All items are as is where is and will not be released until payment is received and ownership has been transferred, if applicable. Both items have a minimum Reserve Bid.

- 2007 Meyers Model SV 8.5 V-Blade Plow taken off a 2007 Chev 3500 - \$2,000 minimum Reserve Bid required.
- 2000 Ford E450 Diesel 12 Passenger Bus including space for four wheelchairs. Hydraulic lift located at rear of bus. 303,300 km - \$1,000 minimum Reserve Bid required.

These items may be viewed at the Roads Garage, 13323 Hwy #118, Haliburton, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.

A Bidders form will be available at the Roads Garage. All bids must be submitted in the requested form and are due at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, January 24th, 2011.

For further information, please contact Tim Smith at (705) 457-1830.

### Notices



#### **COUNTY OF HALIBURTON Roads Department**

#### NOTICE TO MOTORIZED SNOW VEHICLE OPERATORS

The County of Haliburton has enacted By-Law No. 2954 under the authority of the Motorized Snow Vehicles Act R.S.O. 1990, Chapter M.44 s. 5 (1), Subject to subsection 92), no person shall drive a motorized snow vehicle upon the serviced roadway of a King's Highway or of a secondary highway, except to cross.

County Road No. 21 County Road No. 48 County Road No. 121 County Road No. 503 County Road No. 507 County Road No. 648

Detachment Commander Malcolm Quigley Haliburton Highlands O.P.P. Director of Public Works

Doug Ray

County of Haliburton Roads Department



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#### **SEEKING MEMBERS FOR NEW COMMITTEES**

The Municipality of Dysart et al is seeking members for the following new Committees:

#### Housing and Business Development Advisory Committee (HBD)

The Housing and Business Development Advisory Committee (HBD) is a new Committee appointed by Council to seek opportunities for housing and business development for the Municipality and to promote these opportunities. The Committee will be comprised of seven (7) members of whom three (3) shall be members of Council. The Committee will operate according to its Terms of Reference.

#### **Environment and Green Energy Advisory Committee (EGE)**

The Environment and Green Energy Advisory Committee (EGE) is a new Committee appointed by Council to seek, develop and promote opportunities in the field of alternative energy for residential, commercial and municipal buildings, and also include landfill opportunities. The Committee will be comprised of seven (7) members of whom three (3) shall be members of Council. The Committee will operate according to its Terms of Reference.

Further information for these Committees can be obtained on the Municipality's website or at the Municipal Office.

Individuals interested in becoming members may submit a letter with an enclosed resume to the undersigned by Monday, January 31st, 2011. Appointments to these Committees will be made by Council at their February 14th, 2011 meeting.

Tammy McKelvey, A.M.C.T.,

CAO/Clerk.

Email: tmckelvey@dysartetal.ca

#### NOTICE OF **COUNCIL MEETING TIME CHANGE**

Pursuant to By-law No. 2007-145, notice is hereby provided that the Council Meeting being held on Monday, February 7th, 2011 will begin at 10:00 a.m. instead of 1:00 p.m. as regularly scheduled in order for Council to review the Zoning By-law.

# Local team wins bonspiel

### Wilberforce

Hilda Clark

448-2018

You can always count on curlers having a good time at a bonspiel. Sure, they'll compete like crazy, very courteously

Then they will sit down with their opponents for some social time, knowing that win or lose they will likely soon be back on the ice in their home club or at another 'spiel throwing more stones.

The mixed bonspiel at the Wilberforce Club on Friday and Saturday, Jan. 14 and 15 was no exception.

Organized once again by Melannie Lewis, this successful tournament looked like a lot of fun and keenly played.



The Board of Directors of Arts Alive Minden sincerely thanks our 2010 Arts Exposed donors! The auctions raised over \$8,000. We'll announce guidelines for our 2011 Community Grants Fund in the spring.

June Olga Anderson, The Barnboard Lady, Lisa Barry, Homestead Pottery, Shelly Beach, June Beeney, The Cat's Meow, Elaine Bell, Annette Blady, Miskwabi House Studio, Jack Brezina, Highlands Summer Festival, Lynne Brown, River Run Jewelry, Darlene Buckingham, Earthdance Studio, Susan & Michael Butz, Windy Ridge Studio, Margery Cartwright, Portage Lake Pottery, Shawn Chamberlin, Grill on the Gull, Terry Craig, Artech Studios, Elaine Davison, , Tom & Diane Dawson, Wintergreen Maple Products, Glenn Diezel, , Jean Farrell, Carol Finn, Carol Finn Fine Art Galleries, Tom Green, Glass Eagle Studios, Karen Stoskopf Harding, Jane Jaycock, Eagle's Rest Creative, Arlene Johnston, Sarah Jowett, Susan Kellar, Whispers North Gallery and Gifts, Shirley Kuni, My Size, Wendy Ladurantaye, Bill Lambie, Minden Legion Branch 636, Marie Lennard, John Lennard, John Leonard, Rawn Lougheed, Minden Sears, Sandi Luck, Fibre Artist, Erin Lynch, Bella's Bazaar Studio, Laurie Mackie, Fionnuala Martin, Beaver Theatre, Fay Martin, The Conjurors of County Town, Barrie Martin, Yours Outdoors, Charlene McConnell, Linda Middleton, Crystal Image Studio, Jennifer Mills, Joy & Jerry Mous, Ten King My Favourite Things, Brenda Mulholland, Anne Neave, Campbell's Flower Shop, Yael Novak, Charles O'Neil, Bent Offerings Studio, Laurie O'Reilly, Andrea Orpana, Peter & Klara Oyler, Daniela Pagliaro, Minden Hills Cultural Centre, Georgina Parkes, Sonya Paterson, Rose Pearson, Rose Pearson Studio, Sean Pennylegion, Forest Festival, Don & Jessie Pflug, Stouffer Mill B & B, Greg Pichnej, Lois Raw, Lois Raw Chalk Pastels, Tammy Rea, Highland Media Arts, Paul Rolfe, Rolfe Woodcraft Studio, Sylvia Rose, Studio Rose, Wayne Rose, Studio Rose, Gwen Salmon, Lorraine Semple, Haliburton Concert Series, Leo Sepa, Iron Jive Studio, Marc Shroetter, Crowne Gallery, Karen Sloan, Wall Flower Studio.

Marvella Smith, Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild, Lila Sweet, Gravity House Cafe, Sophia Tink, Sophia Tink Jewellery Art, Walter VanderWindt, The Carving Gallery, Debbie Wales, Earth & Fire Pottery, Grahame Wales, Earth & Fire Pottery, Wilma Warne, Soundings Discoveries in Stone & Fabric, Kim Warne, Soundings Discoveries in Stone & Fabric, Susan Watson Ellis, Paradigm Designs, Wendy Wood, The Colour of Wood, Rickie Woods, Rickie Woods Potter. And a special thanks to Mike Jaycock, our auctioneer!

The top scoring team with 50.25 points was Byron Kellar, Melannie Lewis, Brenda Berning and Brenda Kellar. They all play out of the Wilberforce club. In second place with 43 points was Fred Lambert, Jennifer Crane. Jason Crane and Tamera Misener a visiting team with local connections.

Stew Garland's team of Ron Roberts, Peter Boyer and Ross McNeil, also a Wilberforce group, placed third with 38.25 points. Hot on their heels with 37.25 points were the team of Trevour Lambert, Lisa Mortson, Carmen Coumbes and Marielaine Mackie.

Also enjoying some good friendly competition were three other Wilberforce teams and one from Bancroft.

After a meal together some fine prizes were awarded. The club appreciates the generosity of donors, the excellent score keeping of Sally Stirling and all who helped in any way to make this an enjoyable event.

The annual general meeting of the Wilberforce Heritage Guild which operates the Red Cross Outpost Historic House will be held on Monday, Jan. 24, beginning at 7 p.m.

Refreshments will be available before and after the meeting. Reports for the year 2010 and a slate of board members will be presented.

This is a public meeting. All are welcome.

Sympathy is extended to Beverly Wilson of Gooderham and her family. Her husband Robert "Bob" died suddenly at their residence on Jan. 6.

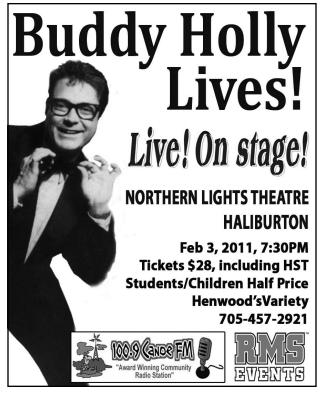
The Wilsons who were retired in this area had celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary a few short years

This much loved and respected gentleman will be well remembered but greatly missed.

A funeral service was held at the funeral home in Haliburton on Thursday, Jan. 13. Spring interment at the Wilberforce Cemetery.

It looks like full speed ahead for a production by the Loop Troupe just as soon as performing rights have been granted by Samuel French Ltd. which represents Baker's Plays in Canada.

## Coming Events



# Prayer breakfast was delicious

### **West Guilford**

**Eleanor Cooper** 

754-2278

Ninety-four people sat down to the tables and food on Thursday morning at the centre. The occasion being the second annual Leaders' Prayer Breakfast sponsored by the Dysart et al Ministerial. The meal was plentiful and delicious, prepared as it was by Carol Stamp, Emile and Jane Duchene, Marlene Maxwell and Pat Bain. Some of it was prepared the day before, but the cooking began before 6 a.m. Some of you may receive a call for a commitment to assist on a regular basis so that when a request comes for large meal preparation the committee can give a positive yes without delay.

All present were there to support councillors, firefighters, ambulance and emergency crews and police staff. The speaker, Aron Rempington held our interest from the first word till the last. He obviously lives out the scripture he believes in and is knowledgeable about it, just as he is equally knowledgeable about his job on the Toronto fire department. He drew chuckles from the audience in the way he presented the information about his work which he takes very seri-

Bev Hicks was the able chairman of the event. He is probably aware of what happens next year if you do a good job this

Two Guilford residents have again distinguished themselves recently. Carl Dixon entertained at McKecks in support of the local food bank. Rose Barry directs volunteers at the food bank at the 4Cs and works tirelessly to see that the funds also derived from Bob Park's Foodland go where they are needed. Rose's is continuous efforts and Carl's generosity in sharing his talent make us all proud that they are a solid part of the Guilford community life.

It is so sad to have to report on the death of Mike Pearsell who passed away at Haliburton Hospital on the evening of Jan. 11, 2011. Our deepest sympathy goes out to his wife, Paula and family and to his sisters Edna Burden and her hus-

Euchre scores for Jan. 11: High - Alice Jones and Edgar Muenzel; low - Colleen Davison and Ray Sisson and most lone hands - Liz Jesseman and Cliff Davison.

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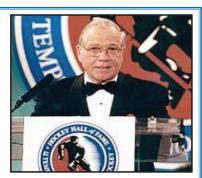
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Community Care City of Kawartha Lakes Health and Support Services is currently recruiting volunteers to assist in the Adult Day Program in the following areas: Bobcaygeon, Fenloen Falls, Omemee, and Burnt River. Volunteers assist staff with programs for socially isolated seniors and people with special needs such as physical or developmental disabilities. Social, recreational and physical Activities are offered in caring, friendly, safe environments. Training Provided. Contact Eileen MacCormack for further information 705-324-7323

Ladies Night at the Dorest Recreational Center. Ladies, join in for an evening of fun at this new monthly activity( to take place the 1st Wednesday of the month) The inaugural Ladies Night stating at 7pm on January 5 has a theme of "Spa Night". The cost is \$5 per person and all ladies are welcome. Call the Rec Center to sign up.

January 21st - Shephard's table community Supper, Lakeside Baptist Church in Haliburton. Free hot meal-strech your dollars! Call 705-457-2851 to RSVP or to volunteer

January 24th to March 6th: Family Math at Archie Stouffer School. From 5 -7 pm. For families with children in Junior/Senior Kindergarden and Grade 1. What do bears, bugs and bubbles have in common? They can help your child learn math! Come and join 6 sessions of FUN! Light supper provided. Take home surprises each week. Space is limited so please register by phoning 286-4625 or

January 26th- 1:30 p.m. The Haliburton County Historical Society Presents: a representitive of the Haliburton Highlands Outdoor Association, to discuss the Haliburton Gold at the Fish hatchery 66712 Galert Rd. In Haliburton

January 20 the Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists will be host a presentation by Dan Strickland on Gray Jays. Mr. Strickland was Chief Algonquin Park Naturalist for many years and has extensive knowledge of the Gray Jay. The presentation will be held at the HHOA fish hatchery, coffee will be served at 7:00, Presentation to follow at 7:30 p.m.

January 20: Haliburton Meet the Nurse 10 am to noon, located at the Ontario Early Years Centre (83 Maple Ave., Halco Place, Lower level) in Haliburton. Parents with children up to age six can meet with a Public Health Nurse. The nurse can weigh the baby, provide breastfeeding support, screen for speech concerns and discuss infant care, growth and development as well as other parental concerns. For more information contact (705) 457-1391

January 27, 8th Annual Chiefs' Charity Pasta Feast in support of Kawartha Lakes Food Source from noon to 2 p.m. at the Victoria Park Armoury in Lindsay. Admission is \$12.00 and includes pasta, meatballs, Caesar Salad, bun, dessert and beverage as well as musical entertainment provided by Keith Kirkpatrick and friends. Tickets are available at Kawartha Lakes Fire Rescue Service at 24 Cambridge St. North; CKL Police Service, 6 Victoria Ave. North; and the Food Service Office on George St. Tickets can also be purchased at the door.

January 29th Places for People is hosting a Bowlathon at the Fast Lane in Minden. Some spaces are still available for either the 4:30 or 6:45 game times. A minimum of \$20 pledges gets you a game, shoes and the opportunity to win other prizes. And of course a rollicking game in good company and the satisfaction of contributing to a worthy local cause. Contact Fred Phipps (457-9694) or The Fast Lane (286-3900) to sign up and get your pledge sheet.

January 30th 2011, 12:30-3:00 p.m. The Balthazar Bazaar located at The Minden Hills Community Centre. \$3.00 gets you a basket of whatever you can stuff inside, a large variety of clothing, toys, dishes, blankets, books and much much more NOTE: all large items will be marked according to price. Child Minding is available. Donations are welcome. For further information please contact Bridgett Gall at 705-286-0182

February 12 Dorset Poker Rally held at Lions Camp Dorset Pre-registration Friday: 7 to 9 p.m. Registration Saturday: 9 to 11 a.m. 300 riders w/ OFSC trail permits. Poker Hands \$30.00 \$50.00 worth of pledges allows you to ride free, pledge forms available at Lions Camp Dorset or online at (www.tallpines.org) or (www.lionscampdorset.on.ca). Hands dealt until 4 p.m. Dinner at 4:30 Prizes at 6:30 for further information contact Charmaine 705-766-9263 or Helen 705-766-2662

February 23rd 1:30 p.m. The Haliburton County Historical Society Presents: Bill Beattie & Julia Roberston Topic: "Stories my Grandparents told me" located at the Maple Lake United Church, Stanhope Airport Rd. & Highway. 118

Events listings are provided FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to jmceathron@mindentimes.ca or faxed to The Minden Times at 286-4768, emailed to jmceathron@mindentimes.ca or brought in to the office.

Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date. NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

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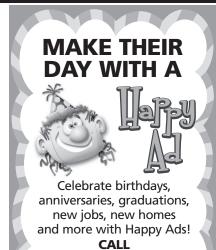
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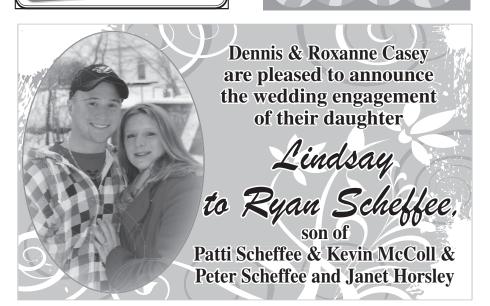
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The family of the late MABEL COSTAIN would like to take this time to thank the many nursing staff, activities, laundry, dietary and housekeeping staff who made Moms' years at Highland Wood so enjoyable and comfortable. Also, Thank you Dr. Stephenson for your kind and gentle care. We were truly blessed to have Mom be a part of the Highland Wood family. Carole Craigmyle, George and Bruce Costain and families



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#### Laverne Barry (Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)



Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Tuesday morning, January 11, 2011 in his 86th year surrounded by his family. Beloved husband of Marion Barry (nee Willson). Loving father of Wanda (Dennis Byers) of Haliburton, Patricia (Paul Harrison) of Wetaskawin, Alberta, and Karen Angel of Lacombe, Alberta. Dear brother of Stella, Mabel and Elaine. Predeceased by his sisters Laura, Effie and Barb. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Cynthia, Darren (Stefanie), Kristina (Daniel), Joshua, Jarrett (Naomi),

James (Shauna), Afton (John) and by his great grandchildren Cody, Tianna, Devolin, Harlow, Charles (deceased) and by his great great granddaughter Olivia.

#### **Visitation & Memorial Service**

Friends are invited to call at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209 on Monday January 17, 2011 from 10 o'clock until time of Memorial Service at 11 o'clock in the Chapel. Interment later Maple Lake United Church Cemetery. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation would be appreciated by the

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HALL, Dolores - Passed away peacefully at Extendicare, Haliburton on Monday, January 10, 2011. in her 81st year. Predeceased by her husband, Charlie Hall (2000). Loving mother of Tracy of Gravenhurst, Denise and Fred of Haliburton, Heidi and Allan of Algonquin Highlands, Myles and Helen of Haliburton. Loving darlin and grandma of Tricia, Chandra (Tom), Jeff, Tristen (Davis), Trever and great grandma of Travis, Austin, Cody, Jocelyn, and Shea-Lynn. Predeceased by her brother Bob Dunn. Lovingly remembered by her family and friends. Friends were invited to visit the family at the GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden on Thursday, January 13, 2011 until the time of the Funeral Service in the Chapel. Reception followed in the family centre at the funeral home. Spring Interment at the Paint Lake Cemetery, Dorset. Memorial Donations to the Extendicare Proud Pioneers or to the Haliburton Highland Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) would be appreciated by the family. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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McILVENNY, Maurice (Moe) Christopher (Bell Canada Retiree - 1982) Passed away peacefully at home on Sunday, January 9, 2011 in his 85th year with his loving family by his side. Loving spouse of Patricia Bradburn and beloved husband of the late Alice (1984). Loving father of Pamela (Kees), Stephen (Linda), Kathryn (Ed), Beverley (Dave), and Barbara (John). Grandfather of Christopher, Debbie (Billy), Robert, Brenda (Rob), Douglas (Jessica), Derek (Lisa), Brian (Matylda), Robert, Josiah, Abram, and Leah. Adopted grandfather of Dave (Debbie). Greatgrandfather of Tommy, Robert, Brieanne, Bailee, Graeden, Taylor, Hunter, Lincoln, and Malina. Loved by Brenda, Larry, Lenna, Gord, Grant, Carolyn and Stephanie. Dear brother of Jack (Sadie) and brother-in-law of Ivy, and Glady (Otto). He will be missed by nephews, nieces, other family members and friends. Friends are invited to visit the family at the Minden United Church, Minden on Wednesday, January 12, 2011 from 11:00 am until the time of the Memorial Service at 12:00 o'clock noon. Reception to follow at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch # 636 Minden. Cremation has taken place. If desired memorial donations to the Minden Food Bank, the Salvation Army, the Canadian Cancer Society or the charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD., P.O. BOX 427, Minden, Ontario. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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bituaries

PEARSELL, Michael John, Sr. — At Haliburton Hospital on Tuesday, January 11, 2011. Mike Pearsell of West Guilford in his 69th year. Beloved husband of Paula (LeBoutillier). Dear father of Mike (Patti) of Whitby, and Rob (Noreen) of Centreville. Poppa 'P' to Brandon and Ryan. Brother of Edna (Bill Burden) of West Guilford. Mike will also be missed by his nieces and nephews. A celebration of Mike's life will be held at a later date. If desired condelences to the family later date. If desired, condolences to the family, and donations to the charity of your choice would be appreciated, and may be made at www.CommunityAlternative.ca or by calling COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVE FUNERAL HOME of 705-701-1875 at 705-742-1875.



ELLIOT, Donna - In loving memory of a dear daughter and sister who passed away January 19th, 2010.

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Sadly missed & always remembered by John, Linda & Leigh Wood

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MATHEWS, ROBBIN LEE - In loving memory of our daughter Robbin.

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It isn't what we write or even what we say, It's what we feel within our hearts As we think of you today.

There is always a face before us, A voice we would love to hear. Your smile we will always remember

Of one we loved so dear. We hold you in our dreams at night, We think of you at dawn

Then we have to tell ourself That you are really gone.

When evening shadows are falling And we sit at home alone To our hearts there comes a longing. If only you could come home. Our wish will never be granted, Or our fondest dreams come true

But Robbin we will always hold A special spot for you. Forever loved and missed dearly

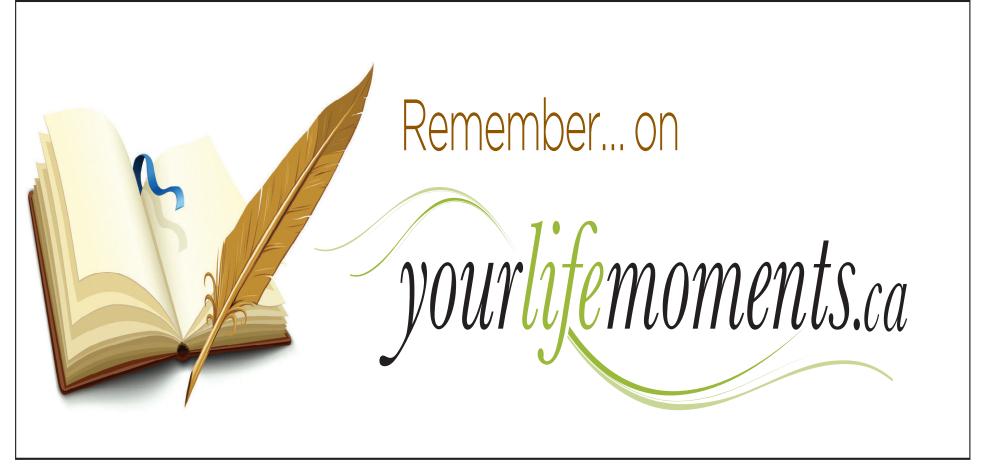
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